GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH ABSTRACT

Primary Education – RVM(SSA) - The Andhra Pradesh Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education Rules 2010 under the Provisions of Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education Act, 2009 (Act No. 35 of 2009) – Formation of Task Force on School Sanitation at State and District Levels – Orders - Issued

SCHOOL EDUCATION (PE-SSA) DEPARTMENT

G.O. Rt. No 405

Dated:01/08/2012

Read the Following:-

- 1. The Ministry of Law & Justice (Legislative Department), Government of India, New Delhi, Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education Act, 2009 (No. 35, dt. 26.8.2009)
- 2. G.O. Ms. No. 20, School Education (PE-Prog.1) Department, dt. 03.03.2011
- 3. Supreme Court of India, Order dt. 11.01.2011 and 18.10.2011 in WP (Civil) No. 631/2004 filed by Environmental and Consumer Protection Foundation

ORDER:-

The Hon'ble Supreme Court in the reference 3rd read above has directed all the State Governments to provide safe drinking water and sanitation facilities in all the schools in a time bound manner. The Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education Act, 2009 enacted by the Government of India also envisages water and sanitation facilities for all children in all the schools across Country. This necessitates construction and maintenance of water and toilet facilities in systematic and continued basis and clear action plans have to be drawn to ensure this. Coordination and convergence needs to be built at the State and District levels among Rajiv Vidya Mission (Sarva Siksha Abhiyan), Rashtriya Madhyamik Siksha Abhiyan (RMSA), Municipal Administration Department, Department of Rural Water Supply and such other related line Departments / Agencies who have the mandate to provide water and sanitation facilities in all schools. These issues were also reiterated during the Regional Workshops on Water, Sanitation and Hygiene in Schools organized by the UNICEF-SSA held in May, 2012 in the State.

2. Government after careful consideration of the matter hereby constitute a State Level Task Force and District Level Task Force on School Sanitation in all Districts as follows:-

i. The State Level Task Force on School Sanitation :-

1. State Project Director, Rajiv Vidya Mission (RVM) [Sarva Siksha Abhiyan (SSA)] Chairperson 2. The Deputy Secretary to Government (PE&SSA), AP Secretariat - Member 3. Director, Rashtriya Madhyamik Siksha Abhiyan (RMSA) Member 4. Project Director, State Water & Sanitation Mission (SWSM) - Member 5. Regional Director (Sanitation and Health), Office of the Director, Municipal Administration Member 6. State Community Mobilization Officer, Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) – Member 7. Director, National Rural Employment Guarantee Agency (NREGA) – Member 8. Secretary, Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalaya Society - Member 9. Representative from UNICEF, Andhra Pradesh - Member Member Convenor 10. Chief Engineer, Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA)

ii. The District Level Task Force on School Sanitation :-

District Collector — Chairperson
 District Education Officer (DEO) — Member
 Executive Engineer — Sarva Siksha Abhiyan — Member
 Superintending Engineer — Rural Water Supply & Sanitation — Member
 District Panchayath Officer — Member
 Municipal Engineer — Member
 RMSA Engineer — Member
 Project Director, NREGA — Member

9. Project Officer, Sarva Siksha Abhiyan – Member Convenor

3. Roles and Functions of State Level Task Force on School Sanitation:

The committee constituted at State level will meet once in 3 months and monitor / review and coordinate the following activities:

- 1. Develop State Annual Action Plan on School Sanitation by integrating the targets and plans of SSA, RMSA, Municipal Administration Department, RWSA and other line departments.
- 2. Review the progress of implementation of State Annual Action Plan on School Sanitation in all districts including financial expenditures and releases.
- 3. Identify the bottle necks and lagging Districts and issue special instructions and orders to the concerned District Collectors and Departments for expedition and implementation of district action plans on school sanitation
- 4. Build coordination, convergence between all the line departments for smooth and quality implementation of State and District level action plans on school sanitation.
- 5. Undertake joint field visits to districts to monitor the functioning of school sanitation facilities in the districts.
- 6. Ensure smooth and timely disbursement of funds to all the districts for school sanitation issues and review their expenditures on quarterly basis
- 7. Identify the special steps needed including innovations to ensure functional toilets in all schools in the state.
- 8. Analyse and take policy and programme decisions based on the helpline calls received from school children on school sanitation issues
- 9. Plan and obtain liberal private and Civil Society Organizations Partnership in improving the school sanitation facilities in all districts.
- 10. Monitor the Implementation of the School Sanitation Awards Scheme in all the districts by guiding the District Award Committees.
- 11. Organise field exposure visits to Districts / other States to learn and share good and innovative models being implemented on school sanitation issues including their documentation.

4. Roles and Functions of District Level Task Force on School Sanitation:

The District level Task Force will meet once in every month and monitor / review and coordinate the following activities:

1. Develop District Annual Action Plan on School Sanitation by integrating the targets, plans and funds of SSA, RMSA, Municipal Administration Department, RWSA and other line Departments.

- 2. Review the progress of implementation of District Annual Action Plan on School Sanitation.
- Identify the bottle necks and lagging Mandals and issue special instructions and orders to the concerned Mandal Education Officers and departments for expedition and implementation of action plans on school sanitation programmes
- 4. Build coordination, convergence between all the line departments for smooth and quality implementation of district level action plans on school sanitation.
- 5. Undertake joint field visits to districts to monitor the functioning of school sanitation facilities in the districts
- 6. Take appropriate action against vandalism of Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH) and other facilities in schools through School Management Committees
- 7. Ensure timely release of funds for school sanitation issues and review their expenditure on monthly basis
- 8. Identify the special steps needed including innovations to ensure functional toilets in all schools in the district.
- 9. Analyse and take policy and programme decisions based on the helpline calls received from school children on school sanitation issues
- 10. Plan and obtain liberal private and Civil Society Organizations Partnership in improving the school sanitation facilities in all Mandals.
- 11. Implement the School Sanitation Awards Scheme in the district.
- 12. Organise field exposure visits to Mandals / other Districts to learn and share good and innovative models being implemented on school sanitation issues including their documentation.
- 13. The Convenor, District Committee should communicate the implementation of district school sanitation programme in specified format to the Convenor of the State level School Sanitation Committee on monthly basis in the specified proforma
- 5. The State Project Director, RVM(SSA), AP., Hyderabad, is requested to take further action.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

CHANDANA KHAN SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (PE).

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The Director, Municipal Administration Department

The State Community Mobilization Officer, Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA)

The Director, National Rural Employment Guarantee Agency (NREGA)

The Secretary, Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalaya Society

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